

## Help scientists avoid conflicts of interest with coal, oil and gas companies.



Project Title	Help scientists avoid conflicts of interest with coal, oil and gas companies.
Project Summary	Put your skill-sets to work to compile the USGS's annual Acreage Report and help draft an updated version of the Financial Guide for USGS Employees.
Country	United States

## Project Description

The USGS Ethics Office seeks a detail oriented individual to review and analyze over 13,000-line items of data from the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Ocean Management. The final product will be the Acreage Report, an Excel spreadsheet that:

- 1) Identifies by name companies that lease Federal land from the Department of the Interior for coal, oil and gas exploration and development as well as geothermal and wind energy production;
- 2) Lists the amount of acreage leased by each company and identifies the leased acreage in the categories of coal, offshore oil/gas, onshore oil/gas, geothermal and wind energy;
- 3) Indicates which companies are publicly traded and which are privately owned; and
- 4) Lists the stock ticker symbols of all publicly traded companies.

The Acreage Report will be used to update the Financial Guide for USGS Employees.

Experience with and competent knowledge of Excel is necessary. Spreadsheets from prior years will be provided as guidance.

## Required Skills or Interests

### Skill(s)

Data analysis

Editing and proofreading

Research

## Additional Information

The Acreage Report and the Financial Guide for USGS Employees are two critical publications that explain the laws, regulations, and policies that govern the financial interests of all USGS employees. The publications are also used by the Department of Interior's Departmental Ethics Office, the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, the Bureau of Land Management, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, and the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement.

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This project is with the Ethics Office at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), a bureau of the Department of the Interior.

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The Ethics Office enhances the ethical culture at the USGS and the integrity of its programs by providing guidance, information and training to USGS employees and volunteers. Our work helps to ensure compliance with ethics statutes, regulations, and DOI and USGS policies. We also monitor the financial interests and outside activities of USGS employees to avoid potential conflicts of interest. More information can be found on our web-page: <https://www.usgs.gov/about/organization/science-support/office-science-quality-and-integrity/usgs-ethics-office>

## Language Requirements

*None*